Potential Amendments to Independent Claims

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Specification: "Referring now to FIG. 3, there is shown a startup method that the

computing device 100 of FIG. 1 or FIG. 2 may perform in response to a system power-

up, a system reset, or some other event" (p. 10, para. 0023).

For discussion only

24.   (New). An apparatus comprising:

a controller, ~~to generate,~~ before controller initialization, ~~during boot, reset, or~~

~~other pre-configuration state~~in response to a power-up or reset of the apparatus,

to generate an unencoded chip select word in response to a default unencoded

chip select mode,

to generate an encoded chip select word in response to a default encoded chip

select mode; and

wherein the encoded chip select word and the unencoded chip select word select

the same boot device.

38.   (New) A system comprising:

~~a plurality of devices comprising~~ a device storing a boot code nub, and

~~an apparatus~~a controller to generate, in response to an address for the boot code

nub and ~~during boot, reset, or other pre-configuration state~~in response to a power-up or

reset of the ~~apparatus~~system, a chip select word ~~that~~wherein,

if the ~~apparatus~~a controller is in a default unencoded chip select mode, <u>said chip select word</u> results in selection of the device storing the boot code nub, and

if the ~~apparatus~~a controller is in a default encoded chip select mode, <u>said chip select word</u> results in selection of the device storing the boot code nub.

41.   (New) <u>On an apparatus, in response to an address for a boot code nub and in response to a power-up or reset of the apparatus,</u>[[A]]a method comprising:

~~generating on an apparatus, in response to an address for the boot code nub and during boot, reset, or other pre-configuration state~~<u>in response to a power-up or reset of the apparatus,</u> <u>generating</u> a chip select word ~~that~~<u>wherein,</u>

if the apparatus is in a default unencoded chip select mode, <u>said chip select word</u> results in selection of a boot device storing the boot code nub, and

if the apparatus is in a default encoded chip select mode, <u>said chip select word</u> results in selection of [[a]]<u>the</u> boot device storing the boot code nub.